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FM AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3241  
INFO AMEMBASSY ABU DHABI  
USINT BAGHDAD  
AMEMBASSY CAIRO  
AMEMBASSY JIDDA  
AMEMBASSY KUWAIT  
AMEMBASSY TEHRAN  
AMEMBASSY VIENNA

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: ENRG, OPEC, SU  
SUBJECT: SUDANESE REACTION TO OPEC PRICE INCREASES

1. DURING RECENT OPEC MEETING IN QATAR, SEVERAL KHARTOUM  
PRESS ARTICLES (REPORTED SEPARATELY TO USIA) WERE CRITICAL  
OF ANTICIPATED SUBSTANTIAL OIL COST INCREASES. MINFIN  
MAMOUN BEHIERY, AFTER ANNOUNCEMENT OF OPEC PRICE INCREASES,  
SAID IN PRESS INTERVIEW INCREASE AFFECTS SUDANESE  
INDUSTRIAL AND AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION. HE ADDED, HOWEVER,  
"WE DO NOT DENY RIGHT OF ARAB BROTHERS TO HAVE BEST PRICES  
FOR THEIR PRIMARY COMMODITY AND WE (SUDANESE) SHARE  
WITH MOST OF THIRD WORLD AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES  
ASPIRATION TO IMPROVE BY ALL MEANS OUR REVENUES FROM BASIC  
COMMODITIES IN ORDER TO PAY FOR INCREASED PRICES OF  
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INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS."

2. ON SAME DAY BEHIERY MADE THIS ANNOUNCEMENT, LOCAL  
PRESS REPORTED DEPARTURE OF BANK OF SUDAN GOVERNOR NIMIR  
FOR VIENNA WHERE HE WAS TO SIGN AGREEMENT WITH OPEC FOR  
\$7.5 MILLION LOAN TO SUDAN.

3. COMMENT: GOS HAS CAREFULLY BALANCED ITS PUBLIC POSTURE ON OPEC PRICE INCREASES SO AS NOT TO ANGER ARAB FINANCIERS AND TO REMAIN CLOSE TO OTHER LDC'S, PARTICULARLY IN AFRICA. SAUDI AMBASSADOR HAS RECENTLY BEEN ACTIVE IN EXPLAINING SAG OPEC STAND TO TOP GOS OFFICIALS. PERHAPS NOT COINCIDENTALLY, AMOUNT OF OPEC LOAN TO SUDAN VERY CLOSELY APPROXIMATES EXPECTED ADDITIONAL COST OF OIL IMPORTS RESULTING FROM RECENT PRICE INCREASE. FOR RECORD, DESPITE GENERALLY IMPORTANT ROLE SAUDIS PLAY HERE, ALMOST ALL PETROLEUM IMPORTS ARE FROM IRAQ (CRUDE) OR KUWAIT (PRODUCT), AND AS FAR AS WE KNOW, FULL PRICE IS PAID FOR THESE IMPORTS, THOUGH IRAQIS AGREED PROVIDE SOME UNRELATED CONCESSIONAL AID WHEN OIL DEAL ARRANGED. BREWER

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